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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080

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For: ALKALINE BATTERY

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the final Office Action dated December 23, 2009 together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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